

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

VANDERBIST et al.

Application No. 09/424,247

Filed: November 30, 1999



Examiner: Cynthia Kratz

ATTN: PCT Legal Office

Attorney Docket No. 4619-009

For: DRY POWDER INHALER EXCIPIENT, PROCESS FOR ITS PREPARATION
AND PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING IT

RESPONSE TO DECISION ON RENEWED PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a)

Commissioner for Patents
BOX PCT
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: October 30, 2002

Sir:

Responsive to the Decision on Renewed Petition Under 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a), and in accordance with the discussion recently conducted with Examiners Milef and Kratz, for which Applicants' representative is grateful, attached herewith is a Declaration executed by co-inventor Paul Maes. Also attached is a Revocation of Power of Attorney and Appointment of New Agent executed by Francis Vanderbist and Phillippe Baudier.

Accordingly, it is urged that this application is now in condition for further proceedings in the national stage. Early notice to this effect is earnestly solicited.

A Petition for Extension of Time for three (3) months is attached hereto. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 07-1337, referencing Attorney Docket No. 4619-009.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures: Declaration

Petition for Extension of Time

Revocation of Power of Attorney and Appointment of New Agent